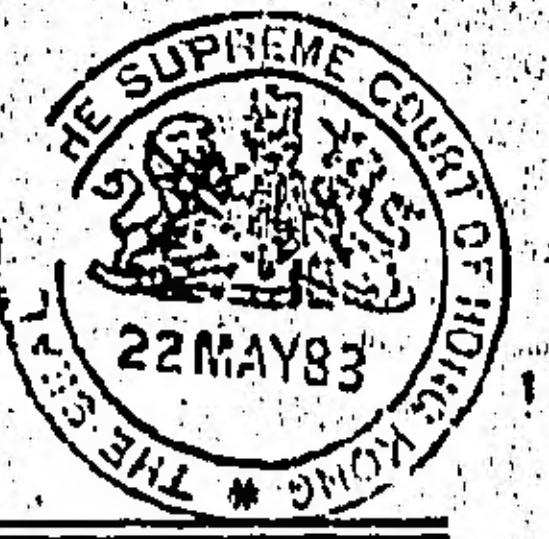


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No. 409.

MONDAY, MAY 21, 1883.

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BLOCKS.

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LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, 11th May, 1883. [340]

Insurances.

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED.)

CAPITAL TAELS 600,000, EQUAL \$833,333.33.
RESERVE FUND.....\$70,858.47.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
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MANAGER.—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS ON GOODS, &c., taken at
CURRENT RATES to all parts of the world.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.
Hongkong, 1st September, 1882. [601]

NATIONAL MARINE INSURANCE
ASSOCIATION, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned as AGENTS for the above
are prepared to accept RISKS on MER-
CHANDISE BY STEAMERS AND SAILING VESSELS
from Hongkong, China, and Japan to all parts of
the world.

For further information apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 18th May, 1883. [393]

YANGTZE INSURANCE
ASSOCIATION.

CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up).....Tls. 420,000.00
PERMANENT RESERVE.....Tls. 230,000.00
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND.....Tls. 290,553.95

TOTAL CAPITAL and
ACCUMULATIONS, 8th
May, 1882.....Tls. 940,553.95

DIRECTORS.
H. DE C. FORBES, Esq., Chairman.
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tributed among all Contributors of Business (whether
Shareholders or not) in proportion to the
premiums paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1883. [83]

THE Undersigned have been appointed
AGENTS to the NEW YORK BOARD
of UNDERWRITERS.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
Hongkong, 15th June, 1881.

RECORD OF AMERICAN AND FOREIGN
SHIPPING.

Agents,
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
Hongkong, 15th June, 1881. [457]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED.)

(CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000)

The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,
&c. Policies granted to all parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1882. [106]

GUDES & CO.
PRINTERS, STATIONERS, AND
BOOKBINDERS.

EVERY KIND OF WORK EXECUTED WITH
ACCURACY, NEATNESS, AND DESPATCH
ON
VERY MODERATE TERMS.

SELECTED MATERIALS FOR
MARKET REPORTS.

Book-binding and Stationery in every style executed
at low rates. Workmanship Guaranteed.
Hongkong, 23rd August, 1882. [6]

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., &c., &c.

THE Undersigned has received instructions
to Sell by Public Auction, on
FRIDAY,

the 25th May, 1883, at TWO O'CLOCK P.M., at the
Residence of Messrs. DEETJEN & Co.,
No. 7, Garden Road,—

THE ENTIRE
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,
Comprising:—

DRAWING-ROOM SUITE, CARPETS,
TABLES, MIRRORS, PICTURES, CUR-
TAINS, &c., &c.

DINING-ROOM FURNITURE—GLASS,
CROCKERY WARE, &c., &c.

BED-ROOM FURNITURE—WARD-
ROBES, WASHING STANDS, DRESSING
TABLES, BEDSTEADS, &c.

SHANGHAI BATHS, &c., &c.
Catalogues will be issued previous to the Sale,
and the above will be on view on THURSDAY
AFTERNOON.

TERMS OF SALE—As customary.

G. R. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 19th May, 1883. [397]

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COMPANY,
LIMITED.

MR. H. R. H. MARTIN, has been ap-
pointed MANAGER of the above Com-
pany and takes charge from this date.

(Signed) P. KYRIE,
Chairman Local Committee.

Hongkong, 15th May, 1883. [384]

NOTICE.

MR. JEHN ROSSELET is AUTHORISED
to Sign Our Name per procuration from
this date.

J. ULLMANN & Co.
Hongkong, 16th May, 1883. [389]

To be Let.

TO LET.

NO. 4, OLD BAILEY STREET.
No. 6, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,
lately occupied by PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

No. 7, GARDEN ROAD (at present occupied
by Messrs. DEETJEN & Co., and will be vacant
on the 30th June next).

No. 35A, PRAYA CENTRAL.
Apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1883. [7]

TO LET.

A TWO STOREY HOUSE (6 Rooms)
with GARDEN, in Mosque Junction. The
above has Gas and Water laid on; and im-
mediate possession can be had.

For Particulars apply to
D. NOWROJEE, Hongkong Hotel.

Hongkong, 6th April, 1883. [18]

TO LET.

FOR ONE YEAR from June next, the New
BUNGALOW at the PEAK on R. B. Lot
20, now roofed in and nearly completed, the
property of Mr. J. ENSON SQUIRE.

For all information, apply to
BIRD & PALMER.

Queen's Road,
Hongkong, 19th April, 1883. [307]

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 2, with entrance in ARBUTHNOT
STREET.
Apply to
V. GUTIERREZ.

Hongkong, 16th May, 1883. [386]

TO LET.

A SMALL DWELLING HOUSE at No. 3,
Upper Ladder Street Terrace, Four Com-
modious and well Ventilated Rooms, with a large
Bath Room and Kitchen attached. Water laid
on. The House commands a full view of the
harbour. Rent \$15 per Month.

Apply on
THE PREMISES.

Hongkong, 15th May, 1883. [385]

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

THE American Bark
"JOHN WORSTER,"
Built at Medford, Mass., in 1867, as the now lies
in Hongkong Harbour, with all her SPARS,
SAILS, STORES, &c., &c.

For Particulars, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th May, 1883. [395]

FOR SALE.

EX STEAMSHIP "LAERTES"

A CONSIGNMENT OF HOCKING'S
PATENT FRESH WATER
CONDENSERS.

THE BEST & CHEAPEST EVER MADE.
Capable of Condensing Three Thousand
Gallons per day.

Apply to
G. FENWICK & Co.,
Victoria Foundry.

Hongkong, 25th April, 1883. [328]

FOR SALE.

G. H. MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE.

QUARTS.....\$22 per Case.
PINS.....\$23 per Case.

Apply to
MELCHERS & Co.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1882. [8]

Intimations.

KELLY & WALSH'S SELECTED LIST OF CHEAP AND LIGHT LITERATURE.

25 CENTS EACH.

John Inglesant.....J. H. Shorthouse.
The Interpreter.....Whyte Melville.
An Old Fogey.....Max Adler.
So they were Married.....Besant and Rice.
Harry Joscelyn.....Mrs. Oliphant.
For her dear Sake.....Mary Cecil Hay.
Reminiscences of Thomas Carlyle.....Mrs. Oliphant.
It was a lover and his lass.....Mrs. Oliphant.
The Wreck of the "Grovesnor".....W. C. Russell.
To Day in America.....Joseph Hatton.
The Fatal Boots.....W. M. Thackeray.
Bab Ballads.....W. S. Gilbert.
A Christmas Carol.....Chas. Dickens.
The A. Elucationist.....A. H. Miles.
Selected Essays of Thomas Carlyle.....do.
Readings of Charles Dickens, arranged by
himself.....Illustrated.
Don Quixote (2 parts).....Illustrated.
Gulliver's Travels.....Illustrated.
Ministering Children.....Mrs. Charlesworth.
Random Shots.....Max Adler.
Miss Slimmons in search of a Husband.....do.
For Cash only.....Jas. Payn.

The Beautiful Wretch.....Wm. Black.
Shandon Bells.....Wm. Black.
An Ocean Free Lance.....W. Clark Russell.
Apphoid.....Miss Braden.
Early History of Charles James Fox.....do.
Paul and Virginia.....240 Illustrations.
An old Maid's Diary.....Lady Brassey.
Voyage in the Sunbeam.....do.
A Ride to Khiva.....Captain Burnaby.
Masterman Ready.....Captain Maryat.
Realities of Irish Life.....W. Stuart Trench.
Romance of the 19th Century.....W. H. Mallock.
Less than black than we're painted.....J. Payn.
The Black Robe.....Wilkie Collins.
A Keel of the Pen.....do.
Cools of Fire.....David Christie Murray.
Poor Miss Finch.....do.
Hard Cash.....Chas. Reade.
Conningsby.....Disraeli.
Witch Stories.....Mrs. Lynn Linton.
The Pirate.....Sir Walter Scott.
Robert Falconer.....George Macdonald.
The Blunders of a Bashful Man.....do.

VIOLIN MUSIC WITH PIANO ACCOMPANIMENT.

Home Sweet Home.....Henry Farmer.
The Keel Row.....Henry Farmer.
Last Rose of Summer.....do.
Blue Bells of Scotland.....do.
Life let us Cherish.....do.
Hope told a flattering tale.....do.
The Harp that once.....do.
Sounds of Joyful (Gounambula).....do.
Les Cloches de Corneville.....do.
The Minstrel Boy.....G. Jacobi.

A LARGE SELECTION OF OPERATIC GEMS, CLASSICAL AND DANCE MUSIC
ARRANGED FOR THE VIOLIN AND PIANO.

KELLY & WALSH—HONGKONG.
Hongkong, 19th May, 1883. [360]

W. BREWER.

HAS JUST RECEIVED.

THE FOLLOWING POPULAR BRANDS OF
TOBACCOS.

OLD JUDGE.

VANITY FAIR.

SWEET CAPORAL.

VETERAN.

BRIGHT VIRGINIA.

BIRD'S EYE.

COCK ROBIN.

UGLY CUT.

SHAG CUT.

PERIQUE MIXTURE.

TURKISH MIXTURE.

TRIPLE ALLIANCE.

CAPORAL.

ALSO,

A LARGE STOCK OF BRIAR WOOD PIPES MEERCHAUM CIGAR AND CIGARETTE
HOLDERS, TOBACCO POUCHES AND SMOKERS' SUNDRIES.

W. BREWER,
QUEEN'S ROAD.

Hongkong, 12th May, 1883. [703]

ARRIVED

EX S.S. "GLENARTNEY."

A LARGE ASSORTMENT

OF

LADIES' FASHIONABLE

STRAW HATS AND BONNETS.

ALSO,

CHILDREN'S AND GENTLEMEN'S

STRAW HATS.

ROSE & CO.

31 AND 33, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, 7th May, 1883. [360]

SAYLE & CO.'S SHOWROOMS.

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NEW SPRING GOODS.

EX S.S. "GLENCOE."

WHITE DRESS MATERIALS.

CREAM DRESS MATERIALS.

NUNS' VEILINGS in every Color.

SUMMER BEIGES in every Color.

GALATEAS for Boys' Washing Suits.

WHITE INDIA MUSLINS.

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LADIES' PATENT LEATHER SLIPPERS.

LADIES' & CHILDREN'S BOOTS & SHOES.

EX S.S. "GLENOGLE."

New Patterns in POMPADOUR SATEENS.

Plain Colored SATEENS in every Shade.

FRENCH PERCALES in every Pattern.

Specialties in ZEPHYR CHECKS.

CANVAS CORSETS for Summer Wear.

SUMMER PAMAMAI FLANNES.

Novelties in LADIES' SILK UMBRELLAS.

Trimmed & Untrimmed HATS & BONNETS.

A Choice Selection of FLOWERS.

OSTRICH TIPS & FLATS in Light Colours.

INKSTANDS in Great Variety.

A LIBERAL DISCOUNT FOR CASH.

SAYLE & CO.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1883. [249]

G. FALCONER & CO.

WATCH AND CHRONOMETER
MANUFACTURERS
AND
JEWELLERS.

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS,
CHARTS AND BOOKS.
No. 44, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. [44]

HONGKONG TIMBER

YARD, WANCHAI.

OREGON PINE SPARS AND LUMBER
ALWAYS ON HAND.

L. MALLORY,
Proprietor.

Hongkong, 4th June, 1881. [499]

Intimations.

FOR SALE.

PRICE \$1,000 ONLY.

A BEAUTIFUL SUMMER RESIDENCE
in MACAO, comprising BUNGALOW,
with spacious FLOWER and VEGETABLE GARDEN,
DENS, occupying a cool and healthy situation
and commanding a magnificent view. Excellent
spring water, and sea bathing only a few yards
distant.

For Particulars, apply to
J. NOVES & SOUZA,
Pharmacia Lisbonense,
Macao.

Macao, 12th April, 1883. [352]

FOR SALE CHEAP.

FIVE TO SIX HUNDRED TONS
COKE

IN LOTS FROM ONE TON UPWARDS.
COAL TARI IN BARRELS.
CHOY CHEW,
239, PRAYA WEST.

Hongkong, 5th April, 1883. [262]

J. AND R. TENNENT'S ALE AND
PORTER.

DAVID CORSAIR & SONS'
MERCHANT NAVY
NAVY BOILED
LONG FLAX
CROWN

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
Hongkong, 15th June, 1881. [458]

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY,
LIMITED.

THE DIRECTORS are now prepared to
receive TENDERS from suitable persons
for a term of FIVE YEARS, for the lease of the
HONGKONG HOTEL, with FURNITURE com-
plete.

The Building (together with a powerful pas-
senger lift), will comprise after the proposed
alterations and additions have been completed,
viz:—

THE BASEMENT.
Two Grand Entrances from Pedder's Street
and Queen's Road. Bar, Billiard, Reading and
Smoking Rooms with separate Entrance from
Pedder's Street.

A handsomely fitted up Ladies' Room, for the
use of visitors and others.

Manager's and General Offices, Kitchen,
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FIRST FLOOR.
A Public Dining Room capable of dining up-
wards of 170 persons at the same time.

ONE LARGE BREAKFAST ROOM.
FIVE elegant and beautifully fitted up suite of
ROOMS, consisting of a Private DINING
ROOM, DRAWING ROOM, CARD
ROOM, BED ROOM, and
BILLIARD ROOM.

TEN Bed Rooms with a Bathroom to each.

SECOND AND THIRD FLOORS
Have each 26 lofty, well ventilated and lighted
Bed Rooms, opening on to large Verandahs with
a commodious Bath Room for each room.

All the Passages and Corridors throughout the
premises are wide and well lighted, most of the
furniture will be new and made expressly for the
climate.

The special attention of Hotel Keepers and
others is drawn to the unusual advantages
offered.

Tenders to state sum per annum, and to
include taxes. No Tender under \$3,500 per
month will be entertained by the Directors.

Hongkong, 16th April, 1883. [292]

LOST.

ON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON between
Murray Pier and Government House,
A GOLD LOCKET, with MONOGRAM and
CREST.

The Finder will be REWARDED, if necessary,
on RETURNING the same to the
"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" OFFICE.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1883. [260]

NOTICE.

THE OFFICES of the Undersigned have
this day been REMOVED to the 1st Floor
of 43, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, above Ashie's
Furniture Store.

DENNIS & MOSSOP,
Solicitors and Notaries Public.

Hongkong, 31st March, 1883. [246]

INTIMATION.

SIGNOR ANTONIO CATTANEO, of the
CONSERVATOIRE DE BERGAMO and late of
the ROYAL ITALIAN OPERA COMPANY has
the honor to inform the community that he has
arranged to remain in Hongkong, and will give
lessons in Music, Singing and the Pianoforte.

CHARGES STRICTLY MODERATE.
Address—Messrs. KELLY & WALSH,
Queen's Road.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1883. [168]

Intimations.

A. S. WATSON & CO.

FAMILY AND DISPENSING
CHEMISTS,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS,
DRUGGISTS' SUNDRIES,
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AERATED WATERS.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

THE SHANGHAI PHARMACY,
24, NANKIN ROAD, SHANGHAI.

BOTICA INGLESA,
14, ESCOLTA, MANILA.

THE CANTON DISPENSARY, CANTON.

THE DISPENSARY, FOCHOW.

NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

It is requested that all communications relating to Subscriptions, Advertisements, &c., be addressed to the "Manager, Hongkong Telegraph" and not to the Editor.

Letters on Editorial matters to be sent to "The Editor" and not to individual members of the staff.

Communications intended for publication must be accompanied by the name and address of the writers, not necessarily for publication; but as evidence of good faith.

While the columns of the Hongkong Telegraph will always be open for the fair discussion by correspondents of all questions affecting public interests, it must be distinctly understood that the Editor does not in any way hold himself responsible for opinions thus expressed.

TO ADVERTISERS.

Advertisements are requested to forward all notices intended for insertion in this day's issue not later than THREE O'CLOCK so as not to retard the early publication of the paper.

TO SUBSCRIBERS.

Arrangements have been made to publish The Hongkong Telegraph daily at 4 p.m. Subscribers in the central districts who do not receive their copies before FIVE O'CLOCK will oblige by at once communicating with the Manager.

DEATHS.

On the 25th March, on board the s.s. *Priam*, in the Red Sea, WILLIAM EDWARD HENRY DUNN, formerly of Blackheath, and late of Hongkong, aged 34.

On the 4th April, at Leatherhead, the wife of WM. KESWICK, late of Hongkong.

On the 7th April, at 14, Marine-parade, Wootton, FRANCIS RICHARDS, formerly of Hongkong, second son of the late James Rhodes, of Seale Lodge, Surrey, aged 36 years.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, MAY 21, 1883.

SIGNOR MARINI, says the *Daily News*, repeated on Wednesday April 11th, in the Senate at Rome a little more explicitly the statement made by him a few weeks previously in the Chamber respecting the understanding between Italy, Germany, and Austria-Hungary. He still gave no information as to whether there exists a written treaty, but as to the fact of an alliance there can be no longer any doubt. He was profuse in his declarations that the object of the alliance is purely pacific, and is not directed against France. That the effect of the alliance must be to strengthen the prospects of peace in Europe there can indeed be little doubt, for in fact it puts it out of the power of any other Continental State or combination of States to create disturbance. The Austro-German Alliance, perhaps, was a more than sufficient counterpoise against any inclination towards a Franco-Russian League, but when the two great central European Empires are reinforced by Italy, the most reckless of French or Russian Governments could hardly think of attacking their three neighbours. It may be suggested, indeed, that Prince Bismarck's object is not so much to secure peace as to carry out some great ambitious design. But it is clearly not the interest of Austria or of Italy to make Germany too powerful by disabling either France or Russia. The three allies have a clear and intelligible interest in insuring peace, but they have no interest in any plan of common aggression. Experience has fully proved that the Austro-German alliance is a peaceful influence in Europe, and the addition of Italy strengthens the peaceful character of the alliance.

A moment's consideration will show how greatly the alliance alters the conditions under which three Powers would enter upon a war. Hitherto in case of hostilities Austria had always to take precautions against an attack from Italy. The antipathies inherited from the time when Austria held Lombardy and Venice, and the aspirations of the Irredentist party, were a source of real anxiety to her. But now she is secure against Italy. Were she therefore to be involved in hostilities with Russia, for example, she would be able to leave her southern frontier unprotected, and to direct

her whole strength against her enemy. On the other hand, Russia would have to take precautions against invasions from both Germany and Austria at the same time. Thus it is clear that the odds would be greatly against Russia, and that even were Panslavist influence in the ascendancy it would be a very serious matter for Russia to enter upon a war. The only danger, indeed, is that the statesmen of Vienna may be tempted to attempt to extend their authority in the Balkan Peninsula, and in so doing make it impossible for Russia to remain quiet. In the same way Italy is relieved from all anxieties respecting Austria. Her only possible enemy now is France. But France is warned that an attack upon Italy would involve her in hostilities with Germany, and she therefore would have to provide against an invasion from both Germany and Italy at the same time; while Italy, like Austria, would have only the one enemy to fear. Germany, it is true, might be attacked both by Russia and by France at the same time; but, as we have just been showing, she would have two allies each able to hurl its whole army against a single enemy. One other consideration not to be lost sight of is the very respectable fleet that the three allies will be able to send to sea. In 1870 France was so overwhelmingly powerful at sea that the German fleet never ventured out of its harbours. In case of a war between Germany and Russia alone, Russia also would be probably the more powerful at sea. But the fleets of Germany, Austria, and Italy united, would be very powerful, and certainly against a single enemy they would be superior at sea. Thus the foolish invasion of Tunis has resulted in totally isolating France in Europe, and placing her in a position in which practically she is at the mercy of her neighbours. With such a warning before her she is hardly likely to put herself again in the wrong. Russia is equally unlikely to give any cause of offence.

TELEGRAMS.

LONDON, May 18th.

A NEW SUEZ CANAL.

M. Ferdinand de Lesseps has declared that he intends starting a company with the object of constructing a second Suez Canal.

May 19th.

THE PHOENIX PARK MURDERS. The trial at Dublin of the persons accused of being concerned in the murder of Lord Frederick Cavendish and Mr. Burke in Phoenix Park last May has been brought to a conclusion.

REPORTED REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT IN RUSSIA.

Several officers of the Russian Imperial Guard have been arrested, and are charged with complicity in a revolutionary movement which has lately been discovered.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H.M.S. *Pegasus* arrived at Shanghai from Amoy on the 15th instant.

We observe from the Shanghai papers that the watermark at Hankow on the 10th instant was 29 feet.

The Maharajah of Johore left Shanghai for Kobe in the steamship *Genki Maru* on the 16th instant.

It is officially notified in the *Gazette* that Thursday, the 24th instant, will be observed as Her Majesty's Birthday.

H.M.S. *Albatross*, Capt. Hicks, arrived at Shanghai on the 14th inst. The *Zephyr* left Chefoo for Japan on the 10th.

UNDER the heading "What British People are saying" the Shanghai *Mercury* says:—"We shall be sorry if France is the first nation that China goes to war with, because then France will have all those nice gunboats."

We (Shanghai *Mercury*) hear that the Eastern Extension will begin work over the wires to Wootung in a few days. The line to Yangtze Cape will not be completed yet awhile. The two cable companies, we understand, are to pay the Chinese Company 24 per cent. on their receipts for the use of the wires to Wootung.

A CORRESPONDENT writes to the *Mercury* under date of Ningpo, 14th May as follows:—"Yesterday a man arrived overland from Shanghai connected with the telegraph line, and they are now busy at work between Shanghai and Ningpo; they expect to have the two cities in telegraphic communication before two months. The Chinese authorities seem to have awakened out of their centuries of sleep."

The *Mastodons* gave a performance in the Theatre Royal, City Hall, on Saturday evening last to a scanty but appreciative audience. The whole of the performers worked hard in their respective roles and frequently caused roars of laughter by their amusing sayings and antics. The bellringers were again loudly applauded for their excellent performance, and Messrs. Bowman, Jackson, and Billy Wilson received enthusiastic encores. The company perform this evening for the benefit of our naval and military friends at reduced prices, civilians being also admitted at a reduced tariff. We hope the *Mastodons* will have a full house. The baroque entitled "Pin-a-4 (in black)" is announced for Thursday evening and should prove a great draw, being a very humorous burlesque on Gilbert and Sullivan's *H.M.S. Pinafore*.

We are informed by the Agent of the P. & O. S. N. Co., that the Company's steamer *Rohilla*, with the next English mail, left Singapore for Hongkong on the 18th instant, at 5 p.m.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to recognize Mr. William Howell Forbes as in charge of the Swedish and Norwegian Consulate at this port, during the temporary absence from the Colony of Mr. Charles Vincent Smith.

ACCORDING to the latest news from the wreck of the *Carnarvonshire* the vessel has gone to pieces, so that no hope remains of getting her off. We understand, however, that there is a probability of some parts of the machinery being saved.

FROM our latest Manila advices we regret to notice that the health of His Excellency the Captain General is in such a dangerous condition that the most serious consequences are anticipated. The owners of the steamship *Cebu* had placed that vessel at the disposal of His Excellency, if he desired to leave the Philippines.

ANOTHER sensational libel case at home. We read that in the Queen's Bench Division, at the instance of the Duc de Valambrosa, a rule nisi has been granted calling upon Mr. Labouchere, M.P., to show cause why a criminal information for libel should not be filed against him for an article in *Truth*, reflecting upon the antecedents of the duke's family.

It is notified in the *Government Gazette* that all persons who have been drawing Chinese Teachers' allowance will be called upon for examination at an early date. They are therefore requested to call at the Registrar General's Office before the 25th instant to make arrangements with Mr. Lockhart, Secretary of the Board of Examiners, as to the day of their examination.

A GIANTIC petition in favour of the Sunday Closing of Public Houses from the Wesleyans of Great Britain, which Sir William M'Arthur presented to the House of Commons on April the 10th, measured fifteen feet six inches in circumference, contained 590,000 signatures, and was so heavy that it taxed the united efforts of four men to carry it through Westminster Hall into the lobby.

We have much pleasure in stating that the Band of "The Buffs" will play at the Botanical Gardens, to-morrow evening, the 22nd instant, commencing at 9 p.m. The following will be the programme:—
Grand March—"Talanthe"..... Sullivan.
Overture—"Bauer in Dichtung"..... Sullivan.
Waltz—"The Lost Chord"..... Sullivan.
Selection—"The Lost Chord"..... Sullivan.
Galaop..... Sullivan.
GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.
A. QUINN, Band Master.

AMONG the other ways of the Heavens Chinese that appear highly objectionable to the Yankee is, says the *Globe*, the extraordinary cuteness he displays in always enlisting the sympathies of the outside world on his side. To the Garfield Memorial Hospital Fund, for instance, the Chinese of Shanghai have started the United States by subscribing handsomely, and saying that they would be "most happy to head a circular and send it round China," but they hardly dare ask their countrymen to subscribe for a hospital for a country which will not allow them to enter for ten years. "So disinterested!" is the comment of the New York Press.

We learn that the construction of the Canton-Kowloon Wa Hop Telegraph Co.'s line from Chin Wan to Kow Pa Kang was almost completed last night, the working party having arrived just below the pass, and close to where the temporary station will be erected. A report from the head office in Canton states that five poles (Nos. 44 to 45) were stuck down by lightning on the 17th inst. In consequence of this accident the manager, Mr. Ho Amel, has directed a European engineer, with a body of assistants, to follow the line from here to Canton, and to make all necessary repairs. The line will be opened for public business as soon as these repairs have placed it in proper working order.

REFERRING to the loss of the U.S.S. *Ashtulph*, (*the Hogue News*) and it stated in the *Army and Navy Journal*, that the result of the preliminary inquiry makes Commander Mullan culpable. A Court-martial will be held, and some officers have arrived from America, as there were not a sufficient number of the necessary rank on the station to try the officer in charge of the *Ashtulph*. The *Army and Navy Journal* says that "the specific charges preferred against Commander Mullan are not definitely known, but according to the report in a private letter, which reached the ears of the Secretary of the Navy, the loss of the vessel is ascribed to the temporary incapacity of her commanding officer, resulting from an indiscretion on his part."

If the *London and China Express* may be relied on, Mr. George Hayward has been confirmed by the Secretary of State in his appointment of Superintendent of Victoria Gaol, in succession to the late Mr. M. S. Tennochy. We sincerely trust that our contemporary's information is well founded. Mr. Hayward has acted as superintendent of the Gaol on several occasions with credit to himself, and to the advantage of the public service; he has a thoroughly practical acquaintance with the duties and in fact, a better man for the appointment could not possibly have been selected. We had some fears that the Colony might be burdened with some useless half-pay officer, or other Colonial Office hanger-on; however, the Earl of Derby, unlike his predecessor in office, has always been noted for studying the efficiency of the public service in preference to the desires and interests of the cloud of needy relatives and friends on the hunt for well paid government appointments, who are eternally badgering a Cabinet Minister, and so we may perhaps venture to hope that the era of jobbery, in far as colonial appointments are concerned, is for the present ceased to exist. It was time for some such change. Glaring incapacity had been at a premium quite long enough.

We are informed by the Agents, Messrs. Adamson, Bell & Co., that the steamships *Glanis Castle*, from Antwerp, and *Radnorshire*, from London, will leave Singapore for Hongkong to-day.

IN the House of Commons on April 6th Mr. Alderman Cotton asked the Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs whether in the negotiations now being agreed to between China and England for the settlement of the Chefoo Convention the blockade of Hongkong and the general question of Lektin taxes in China on all merchandise would be taken into consideration; and in the event of the Treaty being entered into, whether the Government before its ratification would place the particulars before the House. In reply Lord E. Fitzmaurice, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs said: The present negotiations relate to the Lektin duty on opium, but it is probable that the points mentioned by the hon. member will eventually come under consideration. It is not probable that a new Treaty will be necessary.

SAVS the Shanghai *Mercury*—The Chinese often omit, when they order various mechanical appliances, to indent for some one who knows how to use them. For instance, they order fire-arms, but they omit to supplement their orders by soldiers to fight them. What are they going to do with those wonderful specimens of complicated machinery they call their men-of-war when it comes to fighting? The machinery will be all ruined by the time their enemy has got possession of them. Then, there is the dredger; they forget to order a water engineer, and now instead of being used to 'train the channel,' the dredger is employed in digging up 600 tons a day of mud from the existing Bar, and depositing it in the fair way so as to form a fresh Bar—another Heaven sent barrier—just outside. The Bar would have been better let alone. This is the forward-backward kind of progress we called it before.

THE intolerance of the age we live in is almost beyond belief. At Paris recently M. Camille Dreyfus, a Jewish Municipal Councillor, was fined 50 francs for refusing, when called as a witness, to raise his hand towards the crucifix. This is almost as intolerant as the action of Mr. Wodehouse, one of our local police magistrates, who, on Friday last, fined a poor, ignorant Chinese defendant the sum of one dollar for using the words *san-qui* in speaking of Europeans, on the ground that it was contempt of court. As Chinese generally are brought up from earliest infancy to allude to all Europeans as "foreign devils," and as the expression is used more from force of habit than with any intention of giving offence, we cannot but think that Mr. Wodehouse made most injudicious use of the brief authority with which he has been invested, in taking a poor man's hard-earned money on such a paltry, threadbare plea.

SAVS the *Hogue News* of the 7th instant:—Captain Dick, of the British barque *Clara Babuyan*, which arrived here yesterday, reports that at about eight o'clock on Saturday evening, while his vessel was coming up the Bay, what appeared to be a floating tree was observed from on board. Cries as if of persons in distress were heard, and the Captain put his ship about and had a boat lowered. On nearing the object it was discovered to be a small junk which had capsized, and the crew consisting of three men were clinging to the bottom. The luckless junkmen, who belonged to Himeji, were speedily rescued from their perilous position, and made comfortable by being supplied with dry clothing and some warm food. The *Clara Babuyan* was detained about three hours, but the delay turned out the probable means of a further saving of life. The vessel arrived off Wada Point about half-past six yesterday morning and was boarded by Messrs. G. Donnelly & Co.'s representative. Just then another capsized craft was noticed some three miles to leeward, and the commodore boat went to her aid. Four men were rescued on this occasion, and the junk—a small one—towed to a place of safety. These latter unfortunates are comparatively near home, as they were on their way from Akashi to Osaka with fish when the accident occurred to them.

THE *Globe* says:—A controversial battle is going on in the French Press on the rather well-worn subject of infanticide in China. The supposed existence of this practice in the Celestial Empire has afforded occasion for a charitable society in France to collect subscriptions and to employ the fund so raised in combating the inhuman propensities of the pig-tailed fathers and pigmy-footed mothers. This is all very virtuous and laudable; and the French people, who seldom suffer much from the troubles of a too numerous progeny, are willing enough to give small sums in order to prevent the Heavens Chinese from getting rid of his superfluous offspring. Unfortunately for the success of the worthy people who direct the crusade in question, there has arisen lately a critic who disputes the very ground and foundation upon which their work is based. This is M. Simon, a French Consul in China, who writes in the *Nouvelle Revue* an article on "The Chinese Family," boldly denying all tales commonly received as to the infanticidal propensity of the parents. The article has naturally aroused all the fire of the humanitarian society, which feels that if the accepted theories on this subject are exploded, its occupation, like that of Demetrius the silversmith, is threatened with speedy ruin. Accordingly, the papers which are connected with it have scraped together all the evidence they can conveniently find in support of the practice they denounce. The most notable of the proofs adduced consist of some statements made by Baron Hübner, formerly Austrian Ambassador in Paris, who declares that the abandoned children are sometimes to be found lying on dirt-heaps, ready to be eaten up by pigs. It is round this statement that the battle now most vigorously rages, one set of theorists ridiculing the tale as hardly as the others believe in it.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

A general meeting of shareholders in the above company was held to-day, at noon, in the company's Hotel when there were present:—Messrs. D. McCulloch, (Chairman) A. dos Remedios, J. H. Cox, P. Ryle, A. E. Vaucher, A. G. Stokes, Douglas Jones, C. C. Cohen, A. P. Stokes, E. Jones Hughes, and L. Hauschild, secretary.

The secretary read the notice convening the meeting and also the Special Resolutions which were passed at the extraordinary meeting held on the 9th instant and which were to be put before the shareholders for confirmation.

Mr. D. McCulloch proposed for confirmation, seconded by Mr. Douglas Jones:—

1.—That the Capital of the Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited, be increased from \$200,000 to \$300,000 by the issue of 100,000 New Shares of \$300 each to be issued at par.

Confirmed.

Mr. A. Remedios proposed for confirmation, seconded by Mr. E. Jones Hughes:—

2.—That each of the New Shares be paid for by the following Calls, that is to say, the sum of \$50 shall be paid in respect of each of the said New Shares on the 30th September, 1883, and the balance payable in respect of each of the said New Shares shall be paid at such times and in such sums, any one of which shall not exceed \$25, as the Board of Directors of the Company shall think fit.

Confirmed.

Mr. Douglas Jones proposed for confirmation, seconded by Mr. J. H. Cox:—

3.—That the said New Shares be offered in the first instance in such manner, and at such times, as the Board shall think expedient to the persons who shall, on the 30th day of June, 1883, be the registered Holders of the Old or Present Shares in the proportion of one New Share for every two of the Old or Present Shares, and accepted, or not, within the time limited for that purpose by the Board, and that any New Share, or Shares, which shall have been offered in manner aforesaid and not accepted within the time limited for that purpose by the Board, shall be disposed of, and allotted, by the Board at such times and to such persons, at such prices, upon such terms, as to the amount of dividend to be paid thereon, or otherwise, and generally in such manner and way in every respect as the Board shall in its discretion direct in the interests of the Company.

Confirmed.

Mr. P. Ryle proposed for confirmation, seconded by Mr. Jones Hughes:—

4.—That subject and without prejudice to any direction of the Board to the contrary made in pursuance of the immediately preceding resolution, holders for the time being of the said new shares shall be entitled, as from the date of acceptance thereof within the meaning of Regulation No. 10 of the Articles of Association of the Company, to participate in the dividend for the year 1883 to the extent hereinafter mentioned that is to say:

(a) The affairs of the Company for the year 1883 shall be investigated and a calculation of the amount of profit made in manner provided by the Articles of Association for the 6th Calendar month ending on the 30th June, 1883, and again for the 6th Calendar month ending on the 30th September, 1883, and the dividends for these periods, after being approved of by the shareholders in ordinary meeting, shall be paid to the Holders for the time being of the said old or present shares. The dividend for the 6th Calendar month ending on the 30th December, 1883, shall, after being ascertained and approved of in like manner, be paid to the shareholders for the time being of the Company; and the amount of such dividend to be received by the holders for the time being of the said New Shares shall be (unless the said New Shares respectively shall be fully paid up estimated, not upon the price of issue, nor upon the current market price of the said New Shares respectively, but upon the amount which shall, at the time that such last mentioned dividend shall become payable, have been paid by way of call in respect of the said New Shares respectively.

Confirmed.

Mr. A. P. Stokes proposed for confirmation, seconded by Mr. P. Ryle:—

5.—That the dividend for the year 1884 and every subsequent year shall, after being ascertained in manner provided by the Articles of Association, be distributed amongst the holders for the time being of the said Old or Present Shares and the holders for the time being of the said New Shares in proportion to the number of Shares respectively held by them, and the amount of such last mentioned dividends to be received by the holders for the time being of the said New Shares shall be (unless the said New Shares respectively shall be fully paid up estimated, not upon the price of issue, nor upon the current market price of the said New Shares respectively, but upon the amount which shall, at the time that such last mentioned dividend shall become payable, have been paid by way of call in respect of the said New Shares respectively.

Confirmed.

Mr. J. H. Cox proposed for confirmation, seconded by Mr. E. Jones Hughes:—

6.—That the regulation No. 11, providing for the payment of a fee of half a dollar, in respect of any transfer or transmission of Shares in the Company, shall be expunged from the said Articles of Association.

Confirmed.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

PILGRIMAGE TO SANCHOAN.

Punctually at 5.30 on the afternoon of Saturday last the steamer *White Cloud* left the harbour for the island of Sanchoan with about 250 first class passengers for that sacred shrine, and the usual cargo of coolies and traders for Macao. The pilgrims were composed of many nationalities, including English, French, Germans, Italians, Spanish, Swiss, Portuguese, &c. &c., some of them being pilgrims of a very case-hardened description, although the latter does not apply to the fair sex, of whom a goodly number were on board. Fine weather favored the pilgrims all the way to Macao which port was reached at 9.15 p.m. The Chinese element cleared the craft on reaching Macao as did also a sprinkling of the Western races who went about to see their friends and have a "kick" at Canton. Some of the worthies who went ashore to "kick the tiger" did a good stroke of business, but the majority left a few patacas behind to keep up the Macao monarch and assist in providing the

members of the National battalion with their monthly stipend. The losing fraternity came back with sour stomachs and very elongated and dejected countenances. But to return to the pilgrims proper, whose thoughts soared higher than the filly lure which may be got from the harpies who run the fantan heels.

A start was made from Macao at 10.15 p.m. for St. John's, and as soon as the steamer got outside it became apparent to all that there was a lively time in store for them. The wind was blowing a fresh breeze which soon became a rough gale, and this with the whole of the crowd, hailing two or three, sea sick and anything but pleasant to behold made things the reverse of comfortable. We will not enter into minute details of the harrowing spectacle which presented itself to the gaze of the few lucky ones who are impervious to the rolling of the vessel or the effects of numerous "refreshers" taken to make things lively, as we are sure our readers can readily imagine the scene of a saloon full of sea sick maidens and youths tumbled together in one confused mass of sea sickness and misery. By half past eleven the weather was really bad, the sea running, mountains high, and it was deemed advisable to "turn back" and make for the holy city of Macao, which was safely reached about 1.30 a.m., when nearly everybody went on shore and made themselves as comfortable as circumstances would admit of. The pilgrims and their friends passed the fore part of Sunday in visiting the sights of the "Gem of the Orient" and other little ecclesiastical, and started back for Hongkong about 1 p.m. On the way back the vessel encountered rather rough weather which made many of the passengers rather unhappy until smooth water was reached in the vicinity of Hongkong. The preparations made for the comfort of the pilgrims were most complete in every respect, and were only rendered next door to being useless through the severity of the weather. The kindness of Captain Jennings, whose attention to the sufferers was unremitting, is deserving of special mention. The pilgrimage was the reverse of a success, but no one is to blame for what it was impossible to foresee and we can only express a hope that better weather will favor the pilgrims when next they set out for the shrine of the worthy St. Xavier, which will be, we hear, in the early part of 1884. The living freight were exceedingly pleased to reach Hongkong in safety, which haven of rest was arrived at shortly after 5 p.m.

CANTON.

A correspondent in the City of Rangoon sends the following gossip to the Shanghai *Mercury*:—"It is stated that one of the Vice-Regal gunboats is now under repairs to be got ready for action; which belittles enterprise is not without threatening significance, owing to the delicate relations between China and France in Tongking." In the meantime one half of the crew and officers have been discharged, thus to allow the expenses incurred by the repairs to be gradually repaid by the "savings" made on the reduced portage bill. *It is said, para biltum*. "It is somewhat reassuring that the outbreak of hostilities does not appear to be immediate. The report is spread that one more of the Vice-Regal ships to save the country will be to discharge the French officers from the local mosquito fleet of gunboats; a *quo bono*?"

Shameless is taking it coolly. Not only the rumors and preparations of war, but also the present hot season in fact, Shimen is getting quite independent of Hongkong, especially, at least with regard to food, as a house is now almost ready on the French Concession, built to the order of Mr. Raven, in which at the end of the present month probably life will be manufactured.

The French Concession of Shimen—Contains numerous fine sites for building, but the local house in course of construction will be the first building erected on the French Concession, while the English Concession is covered with rows of houses, some of which are regular palatial edifices. What can be the cause of this enormous difference? The only residents on the French Concession are a few of the wild and idle French, who are far from being good and reliable, and pointing a finger at night and day in the ears of the mixed population of Shimen. Here would be the opportunity for the pigeon shoot, whose sport has been interfered with in England by Mr. Anderson's Act of Parliament; but they would require to have a jolly good balance in their favour, which they would have the privilege of handing over to the Ymcaet Municipal Council, for every bit of gunpowder burnt within the sacred precincts of Shimen, and it is to be hoped yet that there are yet no imminent prospects of Corners inquests with the ominous and unsatisfactory verdict, "accidentally shot," during some "savage" pigeon hunting. However, it is generally supposed that human residents on the English Concession are more profitable, and more desirable tenants than the wild pigeons of the French side.

Macao—A Lodge has been in working order since January, up to date, in the quarter, but it is not yet in the hands of the lodge, which is the house of the lodge, and a lodge, hall, will probably be one of the future interesting annual events of Canton. A Canton Volunteer Corps ought to be started next.

Cores—It is stated that one of the residents will try his luck in Cores. He will not be there, though, before the American Minister, General Jonathan Foote, who was so anxious according to the newspapers, to arrive at his destination before the French and German Ministers. I heard a Yankee assert the other day that George Washington had been in Cores before any other white man, or negro either. Why not?

The The Brigade of the J. M. Canton, and the 1st Battalion of the 1st Battalion of the Canton, have not been for the energetic and intelligent efforts of this well-organized and well-armed body, the Customs House would probably have undergone some modifications, which according to the laws of physics and chemistry, would have transformed it into smoke, ash, cinders, and other caldred combustible substances.

Comma—The new Consul for the French Republic, M. Rieublet, arrived on the 7th instant, and has so far made a most favorable impression. He will no doubt soon hold the same honorable high position in the estimated list of the public and political personages of the French Republic. The Consul for the German Empire, Mr. Dr. Travençolo, will arrive at an early date, on a well-earned holiday, but his nationalities should not be so good as to neglect him, again, Mr. Consul Travençolo has been living so long amongst the Chinese and Europeans, that he is perhaps a little more acquainted with the Chinese people, and is a more experienced and

Commercial.

THIS DAY.

Business in the Share Market is still rather dull. Banks are wanted at 181 per cent. premium for the end of the month, but we have not heard of any shares being forthcoming at that rate. North China Insurance have changed hands at \$1500 per share, a decrease of \$100 per share since Saturday. Canton Insurances are out of favor at \$120 per share. Hongkong Fire have been sold at \$1,300 but there are further sellers at the same figure. Docks are slightly weaker, offers to sell at 53 premium failing to attract buyers. Luzons have dropped to \$63 per share for cash, sales at that rate having been booked and also further sales at 66 for the end of June. Lees are in request at quotation. Nothing else requires special mention.

4 o'clock p.m.

Banks are somewhat firmer since noon and are in request at 184 per cent. premium for the end of June; sales have been booked at 188 premium for the end of July. Luzons have changed hands at \$67 per share for July 31st. No other transactions came under our notice.

SHARES.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—Ex New Issue—147 per cent. premium.
 Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—New Issue—145 per cent. premium.
 Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$625 per share, buyers.
 China Traders' Insurance Company—\$2400 per share, buyers.
 North China Insurance—Tls. 1,500 per share, ex div., sales.
 Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$120 per share, sales.
 Yangtze Insurance Association—Tls. 975 per share, sales.
 Chinese Insurance Company—\$205 per share, sales.
 On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150 per share.
 Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$1,300 per share, sales.
 China Fire Insurance Company—\$345 per share.
 Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—53 per cent. premium, sellers.
 Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$42 per share, premium, buyers.
 China and Manila Steam Ship Company—122 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong Gas Company—\$80 per share, sales.
 Hongkong Hotel Company—\$180 per share, sales.
 Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—5 per cent. prem., sellers.
 China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$184 per share, sales.
 China Sugar Refining Company (Debentures)—2 per cent. premium.
 Luon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$63 per share, sales.
 Hongkong Ice Company—\$165 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$80 per share, buyers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1878—14 per cent. prem. ex. int.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1881—3 per cent. prem., sales.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—Bank, T. T. 3/7
 Bank Bills, on demand 3/7
 Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 3/7
 Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 3/7
 Credits, at 4 months' sight 3/8
 Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight 3/8 @ 3/8 1/2

ON PARIS.—Bank, T. T. 4/56
 Bank Bills, on demand 4/56
 Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 4/56
 Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 4/56
 Credits, at 4 months' sight 4/56
 Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight 4/56

ON BOMBAY.—Bank, T. T. 22 1/2
 Bank Bills, on demand 22 1/2
 Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 22 1/2
 Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 22 1/2
 Credits, at 4 months' sight 22 1/2
 Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight 22 1/2

ON SHANGHAI.—Bank, T. T. 72 1/2
 Bank Bills, on demand 72 1/2
 Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 72 1/2
 Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 72 1/2
 Credits, at 4 months' sight 72 1/2
 Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight 72 1/2

OPIUM MARKET.—THIS DAY.

NEW MALWA per picul, \$530
 (Allowance, Tails 112.)
 OLD MALWA per picul, \$555
 (Allowance, Tails 40.)
 NEW PATNA per chest, \$600
 OLD PATNA (first choice) per chest, \$575
 OLD PATNA (second choice) per chest, \$575
 OLD PATNA (bottom) per chest, \$575
 OLD PATNA (without choice) per chest, \$575
 NEW BUNKERS (high touch) per chest, \$575
 NEW BUNKERS (low touch) per chest, \$555
 NEW PERSIAN per picul, \$580
 (Allowance, Tails 24.)
 OLD PERSIAN per picul, \$410
 (Allowance, Tails 8.)

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

THIS DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

BAROMETER.	HONGKONG.	AMOI.	SHANGHAI.	MANILA.
7.00 a.m.	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0
10.00 a.m.	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0
1.00 p.m.	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0
4.00 p.m.	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0
7.00 p.m.	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0
10.00 p.m.	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0
Direction of Wind	N	N	N	N
Force	3	3	3	3
Dry Thermometer	80	70	70	70
Wet Thermometer	75	65	65	65
Weather	b	c	c	c
Hour's Rain	0	0	0	0
Quantity fallen	—	—	—	—

Barometer, level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths. Thermometer, in Fahrenheit degrees and tenths in the open air, in shaded places, and in the shade. Direction of Wind, is indicated every 4 points. N, N.E., E, S.E., S, S.W., W, W.N.W., N.W., N.E. Force of Wind, is indicated every 4 points. 3 to 4 moderate, 5 to 6 fresh, 7 to 8 strong, 9 to 10 severe, 11 to 12 violent, 13 to 14 very violent, 15 to 16 hurricane, 17 to 18 typhoon, 19 to 20 cyclone, 21 to 22 storm, 23 to 24 tempest, 25 to 26 hurricane, 27 to 28 typhoon, 29 to 30 cyclone, 31 to 32 storm, 33 to 34 tempest, 35 to 36 hurricane, 37 to 38 typhoon, 39 to 40 cyclone, 41 to 42 storm, 43 to 44 tempest, 45 to 46 hurricane, 47 to 48 typhoon, 49 to 50 cyclone, 51 to 52 storm, 53 to 54 tempest, 55 to 56 hurricane, 57 to 58 typhoon, 59 to 60 cyclone, 61 to 62 storm, 63 to 64 tempest, 65 to 66 hurricane, 67 to 68 typhoon, 69 to 70 cyclone, 71 to 72 storm, 73 to 74 tempest, 75 to 76 hurricane, 77 to 78 typhoon, 79 to 80 cyclone, 81 to 82 storm, 83 to 84 tempest, 85 to 86 hurricane, 87 to 88 typhoon, 89 to 90 cyclone, 91 to 92 storm, 93 to 94 tempest, 95 to 96 hurricane, 97 to 98 typhoon, 99 to 100 cyclone, 101 to 102 storm, 103 to 104 tempest, 105 to 106 hurricane, 107 to 108 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